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**In re Application of H. Hofland, D. Lamons, and X. Meng**  
**Application No. 09/996,838** **Group No. 1632**  
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**Natural and Anionic Colloidal Particles for Gene Delivery**

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- (A) a Notice of Appeal;
- (B) a Form PTO-2038 authorizing the Commissioner to charge the fee for the Notice of Appeal;
- (C) a Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review;

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- (D) a copy of a Petition for Extension of Time (3 months) - the original was filed earlier today (October 16, 2006) in a separate facsimile; and
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